GETTING TO THE BOTTOM OF THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING KOSUZU!

第51話 Reimu Hakurei's Miscalculation (Part 2)

真相に迫る!? 聖人除事件の

単行本①～⑥、電子書籍版も好評発売中!!

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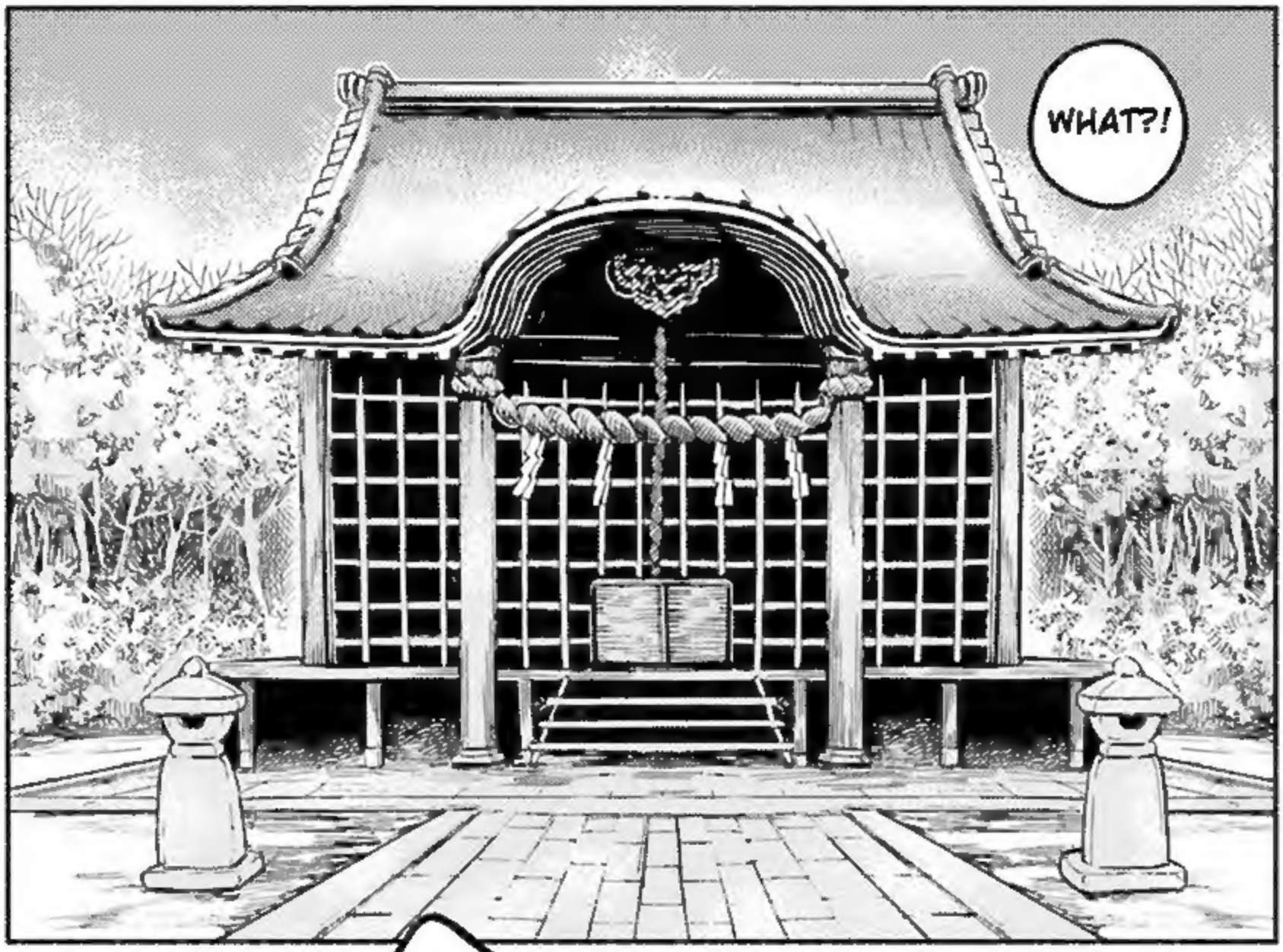
前回までのあらすじ

幻想郷の人里にある貸本屋「鈴奈庵」の娘、本居小鈴。彼女は「妖魔本」と呼ばれる、妖怪の存在を記した本を読む能力に目覚めていた。幻想郷の〝真実〟を追って失踪した小鈴を捜す霊夢たち。神社にて魔理沙が見つけた小鈴は様子がおかしく、魔理沙は小鈴に攻撃を受け倒されてしまい…！



霧雨魔理沙●幻想郷にある魔法の森に住んでいる人間の魔法使い。・普通の魔法使い・

博麗霊夢●幻想郷内、博麗神社の巫女。妖怪退治を行っている。・楽園の素敵なシャーマン・

OH!

NEXT THING I KNEW, KOSUZU WAS GONE.

THAT AURA I SMELLED WAS THE NIGHT PARADE PICTURE SCROLL.

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YEAH, THAT'S IT!

IT DID SEEM LIKE THAT,

BUT I DUNNO FOR SURE.

SO,

KOSUZU IS ROAMING AROUND UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF A DANGEROUS SCROLL?

二ツ岩マミゾウ●幻想郷に居を構える化け狸。"捕らぬ狸のティスガイザー"。

SHE WAS ABLE TO RESPOND TO ME, AT LEAST.

AND SHE SEEMED TO BE ACTING UNDER HER OWN WILL.

EITHER WAY, THE SCROLL'S GOTTA HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH HER DISAPPEARANCE.

YEAH, DEFINITELY.

NOD

THE EASIEST GUESS IS THAT THE YOUKAI INSIDE THE SCROLL

IS USING KOSUZU TO TRY AND TAKE OVER GENSOKYO.

GLANCE

THAT'S A LITTLE TOO EASY A GUESS, IF YOU ASK ME.

YAWN

...

IF IT'S BEEN CONTROLLING HER FOR DAYS,

THEN ISN'T IT STRANGE THAT THERE HASN'T BEEN A SINGLE TRACE OF HER?

THE YOUKAI INSIDE THE SCROLL

GIVES OFF A SPECIAL AURA, LIKE WE SAW EARLIER.

WHISPER

WASN'T SHE YOUR NUMBER ONE SUSPECT?

WHY IS THAT TANUKI HERE WITH YOU ANYWAY?!

HEY!

WELL, LET'S JUST SAY...

STUFF HAP-PENED,

AND I DON'T THINK SHE'S THE CULPLRIT ANYMORE.

Whew

THEN THAT'S THAT.

YEAH.

IS THIS YOUR INTUITION AGAIN?

JUST WHAT I SAID.

SO WHAT'D YOU MEAN BY THERE NOT BEING A SINGLE TRACE OF HER?

I PUT SOME TANUKI ON THE CASE TO HELP CLEAR OUR NAME,

AND THEY COULDN'T FIND A SINGLE THING OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

NONE OF THAT OLD-FASHIONED AURA EITHER.

ABOUT THAT,

I THINK THIS STINKS PRETTY BAD.

HOW SO?

I GET THE FEELING THAT SOMEONE IS MANIPULATING KOSUZU.

AND NOT THE SCROLL, SOMEONE ELSE.

SOMEONE WHO CAN COMPLETELY DISAPPEAR FROM GENSOKYO OR SHOW UP WHEREVER THEY LIKE...

IT STINKS SO MUCH, IT GIVES ME A HEADACHE JUST THINKING ABOUT IT.

THROB

THROB

?

CAN'T BLAME YOU THERE - YOUR GUT FEELINGS ARE ALWAYS RIGHT.

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SHE'S HERE.

REIMU?

ARE YOU AWAKE?

SLIDE!

KO-

KO-SUZU?

GULP

RUMBLE

KOSUZU! YOU'RE OKAY!

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY!

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YOU'VE BEEN LIKE TWO PEAS IN A POD, HUH?

MISS REIMU, AND A BAKEDANUKI?

WHAT'S THIS?

BECAUSE I'LL DO SOMETHING ABOUT-

THAT'S FUNNY...

WEREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE ON THE SIDE THAT EXTERMINATES YOUKAI?

I GUESS YOU WERE *DIFFERENT* FROM THE HUMAN VILLAGERS AFTER ALL.

SAVE YOUR BREATH, REIMU.

SHE'S COMPLETELY POSSESSED NOW.

TALKING TO HER IS A WASTE OF TIME.

本居小鈴●幻想郷の人里にある貸本屋「鈴奈庵」の娘。・判読眼のビブロフィリア。

I HAVE TO PREVENT HUMANS FROM BECOMING YOUKAI.

FOR THE GOOD OF ALL HUMANS.

...I GUESS WE'RE TOO LATE THEN.

I HATE TO DO THIS, BUT THIS IS MY JOB.

YOU'RE PRETTY RUTHLESS FOR A HUMAN!

ARE YOU ABOUT TO CULL SOMEONE FOR THE SAKE OF THE HERD?

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WHA-?!

I WAS TALKING TO THE *TRUE CULPRIT* WHO'S SMIRKING BEHIND HER SOMEWHERE.

I THINK YOU'RE MISUNDER-STANDING SOMETHING.

Sweat

YOU'RE CALLING THIS ONE SMALL FRY...?

PREFERABLY WITHOUT HURTING KOSUZU.

SORRY, BUT WOULD YOU MIND DEALING WITH THE *SMALL FRY*?

MAYBE I SHOULD GO SLAP MARISA AWAKE AND HAVE HER DO IT?

SOME BOSS OF THE TANUKI YOU ARE.

WHAT,

IS THIS LOUSY THING TOO MUCH FOR YOU TO HANDLE?

GRIN

Ho Ho Ho!

SINCE I'M A TANUKI,

MIGHT AS WELL GO DOWN WITH THE MUD BOAT.

GRIN

FINE, I GET IT.

JUST LEAVE KOSUZU AND THIS GUY TO ME.

PHEW

OH MY!

NOW THEN.

I HAVE NO IDEA WHO THIS TRUE CULPRIT COULD BE, BUT...

CRACK

POP

WHEREVER IS MISS REIMU GOING?

GIGGLE

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YOU'RE PRETTY LUCKY, YOU KNOW THAT?

IF I JUST DEFEATED YOU ALONG WITH KOSUZU,

THAT'D BE MY BEST CHANCE TO GET MY HANDS ON THE SCROLL.

SO HOW ABOUT IF I SOMEHOW SNATCH AWAY THE SCROLL,

AND GET ONE OF MY MINIONS POSSESSED BY IT INSTEAD OF KOSUZU? THAT SHOULD WORK.

KOSUZU LIVES,

AND I GET THE SCROLL. VERY LOGICAL.

WHAT?!

BUT I'M A TANUKI OF MY WORD, SO I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO COME UP WITH A WAY TO KEEP KOSUZU ALIVE.

"UNINJURED" MIGHT BE A BIT MUCH TO HOPE FOR THOUGH.

HYUP

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PERFECT, EVEN.

WHAT WAS WITH THAT WEAK ATTACK?

EVEN THESE ANTIQUE TSUKUMO-GAMI

DIDN'T EVEN GET CRACKED BY IT.

RAAAA AAAR

OOH, I GET IT.
THE POWER TO ABSORB COUNTLESS TSUKUMO-GAMI.
SO THAT'S THE POWER OF THE ONI OF THE NIGHT PARADE SCROLL.
AS LONG AS THERE ARE TSUKUMOGAMI ANYWHERE, IT CAN POWER UP INFINITELY.
YEAH, THAT EXPLAINS WHY YOUR AURA IS SO FREAKISHLY STRONG.

TWEET

DRAGGING THIS OUT WOULD BE A BAD IDEA, SO...

TWEET TWEET TWEET

A HUNDRED DEMONS VERSUS A HUNDRED TANUKI!

IN OTHER WORDS, WHY DON'T WE SETTLE THIS IN ONE GO?

TAP

THE TRUE CULPRIT WAS YOU ALL ALONG.

I KNEW IT.

WHATEVER COULD YOU MEAN?

TRUE CULPRIT?

I'M JUST HERE TO WATCH THE MOON. ISN'T IT BEAUTIFUL TONIGHT?

FINE THEN.

I MUST SAY, THOUGH,

I'M SURPRISED YOU DIDN'T GO AFTER THE GIRL.

IT'S THROWN MY CALCU-LATIONS OFF A BIT.

GO AFTER?

FIGHT AND EXTERMINATE HER.

SO,

YOU JUST HAPPEN TO BE GAZING AT THE MOON, ON THE ROOF OF THE SHRINE, TONIGHT OF ALL NIGHTS?

I CAN'T EVEN FIND YOU MOST OF THE TIME.

THAT'S BECAUSE I KNEW YOU WERE MANIPU-LATING HER!

NOW,

I'M JUST GLAD I CAN SETTLE THIS WITHOUT HAVING TO FIGHT KOSUZU.

Showdown time!

PREPARE TO BE EXTERMI-NATED!

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